Introduced by Assembly Member Caballero

February 23, 2007

An act relating to pets.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1347, as introduced, Caballero. Pet Stores.

Existing law regulates the sale of dogs and cats by breeders and retail outlets and the sale of birds.

This bill would make findings and declarations regarding the necessity to establish standards of care for animals in pet stores.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of 2 the following:
 - (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to establish standards of care for animals in pet stores.
 - (b) Standards of care for animals in pet stores are essential to ensure the humane treatment of the animals, safeguard the public, and are in the public interest.
- 8 (c) The Legislature does not intend to regulate the care or 9 handling of animals in or on farms, ranches, livestock or horse auctions, livestock markets, slaughtering facilities, or any place other than pet stores.

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- (d) The Legislature does not intend, by regulating pet stores, to classify as a pet store a person who breeds and sells animals directly to the public.